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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants) Group Art Unit: 1743
Edward L Carver, Jr. and)
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on) Examiner: L. Alexander
APPARATUS AND METHOD)
FOR MIXING FLUIDS FOR)
ANALYSIS)
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Application Serial No.: 09/198,004)
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Filed On: November 23, 1998) (Docket No. 116310.0032)

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut this 8th day of March, 2001

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Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)**

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed November 8, 2000 to thereby extend the period for response from February 8, 2001 to March 8, 2001. A check in the amount of \$55.00 (small entity) to cover the one-month extension fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) is enclosed herewith.

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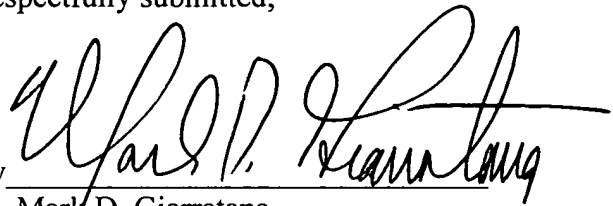
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No additional fee is believed to be required; however, if an additional fee is required, or otherwise if necessary to cover any deficiency in fees already paid, authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1631.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 8, 2001

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